

# SABIC® HDPE PCG863

## HIGH DENSITY POLYETHYLENE

### DESCRIPTION

SABIC® HDPE grades for healthcare applications are produced under controlled conditions resulting in high product quality, consistency and a high level of purity.

SABIC® HDPE PCG863 is typically used for the injection molding of healthcare packaging, caps and closures and other parts for medical packaging. It is an easy-to-process, stiff grade.

Compliance to regulations.

SABIC® HDPE PCG863 complies with the relevant monographs of the European Pharmacopoeia (EP) and the United States Pharmacopoeia (USPVI).

### TYPICAL PROPERTY VALUES

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PROPERTIES	TYPICAL VALUES	UNITS	TEST METHODS
<b>POLYMER PROPERTIES</b>			
<b>Melt Flow Rate (MFR)</b>			
at 190 °C and 2.16 kg	8	dg/min	ISO 1133
at 190 °C and 5 kg	23	dg/min	ISO 1133
<b>Density</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	963	kg/m <sup>3</sup>	ISO 1183
<b>MECHANICAL PROPERTIES</b> <sup>(1) (2)</sup>			
<b>Tensile test</b> <sup>(3) (4)</sup>			
stress at yield	31	MPa	ISO 527-2
stress at break	15	MPa	ISO 527-2
strain at break	200	%	ISO 527-2
tensile modulus	1450	MPa	ISO 527-2
<b>Flexural test</b>			
Flexural modulus	1650	MPa	ISO 178
Flexural strength	32	MPa	ISO 178
<b>Izod impact notched</b>			
at 23 °C	4	kJ/m <sup>2</sup>	ISO 180/A
<b>Hardness Shore D</b>	65	-	ISO 868
<b>ESCR on Caps</b> <sup>(5)</sup>	8	h	SABIC method
<b>THERMAL PROPERTIES</b>			
<b>Heat deflection temperature</b> <sup>(1) (2)</sup>			
at 0.45 MPa (HDT/B)	94	°C	ISO 75-2
<b>Vicat Softening Temperature</b> <sup>(1) (2)</sup>			
at 10 N (VST/A)	129	°C	ISO 306
<b>DSC test</b>			
melting point	134	°C	ISO 11357-3
enthalpy change	226	J/g	ISO 11357-3

(1) Compression moulding of test specimen according to ISO 1872-2

(2) Conditioning of test specimen: temp. 23 °C, relative humidity 50 %, 24 hours

(3) Speed of testing: 50 mm/min

(4) Test specimen according to ISO 527-2 type 1BA, thickness 2 mm

(5) Determined in 10% Igepal CO-630 at 40 °C, 6 bar internal water pressure, thickness 1 mm

## STORAGE AND HANDLING

Polyethylenes resins (in pelletised or powder form) should be stored in such a way that it prevents exposure to direct sunlight and/or heat, as this may lead to quality deterioration. The storage location should also be dry, dust free and the ambient temperature should not exceed 50 °C. Not complying with these precautionary measures can lead to a degradation of the product which can result in colour changes, bad smell and inadequate product performance. It is also advisable to process polyethylene resins (in pelletised or powder form) within 6 months after delivery, this because also excessive aging of polyethylene can lead to a deterioration in quality.

## ENVIRONMENT AND RECYCLING

The environmental aspects of any packaging material do not only imply waste issues but have to be considered in relation with the use of natural resources, the preservations of foodstuffs, etc. SABIC considers polyethylene to be an environmentally efficient packaging material. Its low specific energy consumption and insignificant emissions to air and water designate polyethylene as the ecological alternative in comparison with the traditional packaging materials. Recycling of packaging materials is supported by SABIC whenever ecological and social benefits are achieved and where a social infrastructure for selective collecting and sorting of packaging is fostered. Whenever 'thermal' recycling of packaging (i.e. incineration with energy recovery) is carried out, polyethylene -with its fairly simple molecular structure and low amount of additives- is considered to be a trouble-free fuel.

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